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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: CONSTITUTIONAL TALKS MAY BEGIN EARLIER  
THAN EXPECTED

1. SPEAKING IN SWA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MAY 29, LEADING  
NATIONAL PARTY MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY, DIRK MUDGE, SAID  
CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE WOULD BE HELD SOONER THAN EXPECTED,  
THOUGH HE SAID HE COULD NOT ANNOUNCE A DATE.

2. ACCORDING TO RELIABLE WINDHOEK SOURCE, MUDGE'S OPTIMISM  
ABOUT EARLIER CONVOCATION OF MULTIRACIAL CONSTITUTIONAL  
TALKS STEMS FROM AGREEMENT BETWEEN DAMARA TRIBAL COUNCIL  
AND DAMARA TRIBAL EXECUTIVE TO SELECT REPRESENTATIVES TO  
ATTEND TALKS. PREVIOUSLY EACH OF THE TWO CONTENDING DAMARA  
ORGANIZATIONS HAD EITHER OPPOSED TALKS OUTRIGHT OR HAD  
INSISTED THAT IT ALONE SHOULD REPRESENT DAMARA PEOPLE.  
AGREEMENT WILL OBLIGATE NEED FOR LENGTHY ELECTION PROCESS

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TO SELECT DAMARA REPRESENTATIVES TO CONSTITUTIONAL CONFER-

ENCE.

3. AS FAR AS WHITE AUTHORITIES ARE CONCERNED, ONLY  
HEREROS REMAIN OPPOSED TO PARTICIPATION IN TALKS. SOURCE  
BELIEVES A DEAL IS LIKELY BETWEEN MUDGE AND HERERO CHIEF  
CLEMENS KAPUUO, WHEREBY SWA AUTHORITIES WOULD RECOGNIZE  
KAPUUO AS LEADER OF ALL HEREROS. KAPUUO THEN WOULD BE  
INVITED TO ATTEND CONFERENCE AS HERERO LEADER. THIS WOULD  
ENABLE KAPUUO TO CEASE INSISTING THAT HE PARTICIPATE IN  
TALKS AS HEAD OF NATIONAL CONVENTION.

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